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#### **What encouraged you to join the military and/or enter into civil service?**

In college, a Hill AFB team visited my Junior Seminar; that day, I decided that doing work on aircraft and supporting warfighters would be exciting and meaningful. My internship experience of testing a design I created on a B-52 further solidified my belief that Hill AFB was right for me. The government job offered opportunities for further education and work life balance; things I didn't see offered by other employers.

#### **What do you feel is the most important attribute a leader should possess?**

Communication is the most important leadership attribute. I share my vision and goals with the team. I also communicate the 'amazing' and the 'not so amazing' things with my team so that they can make informed decisions on their projects. Communication is key to building the team's trust and support, which are critical to achieving a mission.

#### **As a leader, how do you encourage your team to accomplish their mission**

I have encouraged my team to accomplish their mission by stressing the importance of their role in the mission and the support they provide to warfighters. Each individual provides value and meaning to the mission as a whole.

#### **Did You Know?**

Coral reefs surround the islands of Samoa and are home to some 900 fish species and over 200 varieties of coral. You can also swim with turtles and watch dolphins frolicking in clear lagoon waters.

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### Fred T. Korematsu



Fred Korematsu was a national civil rights hero. In 1942, at the age of 23, he refused to go to the government's incarceration camps for Japanese Americans. After he was arrested and convicted of defying the government's order, he appealed his case all the way to the Supreme Court. In 1944, the Supreme Court ruled against him, arguing that the incarceration was justified due to military necessity. On November 10, 1983,

Korematsu's conviction was overturned in a federal court in San Francisco. It was a pivotal moment in civil rights history. In 1998, he received the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor, from President Bill Clinton. In 2010, the state of California passed the Fred Korematsu Day bill, making January 30 the first day in the U.S. named after an Asian American.

#### **Quote of Week**

**"To be beautiful means to be yourself. You don't need to be accepted by others. You need to accept yourself."**

**-Thich Nhat Hanh**

## Recipe of the Week

Char Siu means "fork roasted" (also known as Chinese Barbeque Pork in local restaurants), a Cantonese classic dish that can be eaten by itself, with rice, with noodles, stir fried, or as filling for pastries.

1. Cut Pork Shoulder Butt into 1-inch thick slabs totaling 2 lb. of meat, then puncture the meat slabs with a fork for marinating.
2. Create marinating sauce consisting of the following: 1 tbsp. salt, 4 tbsp. sugar, 1 tbsp minced garlic, 1 tbsp. minced ginger, 1 tsp five-spice powder, 1 tsp. ginger powder, 1 tsp chicken powder, 2 tbsp hoisin sauce, 1 tbsp. chee hou sauce, 1.5 cube ferment bean curd (avoid the liquid), 2 tbsp. Chinese Rose Wine (Mei Gui Lu), and 2 eggs. (optional) Add 1tsp red yeast powder for presentation only.
3. Mix meat and marinating sauce into a large Ziploc bag, massage the meat and sauce together, and release all the air before sealing the bag.
4. Marinate for at least 8 hours, but no longer than 24 hours. Let the meat sit at room temperature for at least an hour if they were refrigerated.
5. Place meat on a baking rack and pan, add some water to the pan, and pre-heat the oven to 425 F.
6. Save the extra marinating sauce and add 1 tsp of sesame oil into it. Prepare a bowl of diluted honey with 2 tbsp. honey and 2 tsp water.
7. Bake meat at 425 F for 15 min., brush the marinating sauce over the meat on both sides. Repeat this step once.
8. Bake meat for another 10 min., and brush the diluted honey on both sides.
9. Bake for 5 min. at 450 F. Rest meat for at least 5 min. before cutting into. Enjoy!

## Words of the Week

Samoan  
Toa (Warrior)

Vietnamese  
quân đội (Military)

### *Did You Know?*

**Kristi Yamaguchi was born with clubfeet and only started skating as part of her physical therapy, but it quickly turned into a passion.**

### *Fun Fact*

**Besides Halong Bay, Ninh Binh is another site where one of the 2017's blockbusters, Kong Skull Island was filmed. Its divine beauty hidden inside the gorgeous nature is the reason why it was chosen for the movie.**



## Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force JoAnne S. Bass

Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force JoAnne S. Bass was an Army dependent, living in several overseas and stateside locations prior to entering the Air Force in 1993. She is originally from Mililani, Oahu, Hawaii. Her mother is of Korean descent and her father is a retired Army warrant officer. Throughout her career, she has held a variety of leadership positions serving at the squadron, group, wing and major command levels. She has significant joint service and special operations experience. She is the first person of Asian-American descent to hold the highest senior enlisted position in the Air Force, and as such, provides direction for the enlisted force and represents their interests, as appropriate, to the American public and to those in all levels of government. She serves as the personal adviser to the Chief of Staff and the Secretary of the Air Force on all issues regarding the welfare, readiness, morale, and proper utilization and progress of more than 600,000 Total Force Airmen. Chief Bass is the 19th chief master sergeant of the Air Force.

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